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 Abbeville Police Officer H. Bascomb Cannon, who was killed just weeks prior to Hosea Martin on Nov. 10, 1921, and Duncan Police Officer Charlie Smith, who died on June 23, 1939, were also inducted into the Hall of Fame Wednesday.

The Law Enforcement Officers Hall of Fame was established by the state legislature in 1974 and it continues to receive nominations from previous eras from agencies across the state. "Last year was a difficult time in our state when we said goodbye to six officers," said Leroy Smith, director of the South Carolina Department of Public Safety. "This ceremony recognizes that - regardless of the number of years that have passed - these officers hold a special place in our hearts and in our history."

Hosea Martin was shot and killed during an exchange of gunfire with two local bootleggers. Luther Timmons and Monroe Willard were both convicted of manslaughter and each was sentenced to 10 years hard labor.



Photo provided
REMEMBERED - The plaque honoring Laurens Police Officer Hosea Ocola Martin hangs on the memorial wall at the South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers Hall of Fame. Martin was shot and killed in the line of duty in 1921.

OBITUARY

David L. Johnson

David Lee Johnson, 67, of 4825 Highway 76 West, Laurens, and husband of Kimberly Davis Johnson, passed away on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, at his home.



David L. Johnson

Born in Laurens, he was the son of the late Jessie Fred and Annie Ruth Hughes Johnson. David was formerly employed with Laurens Glass Works and Thornwell and retired from Caterpillar Inc. He attended Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church and was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and brother.

Surviving in addition to his wife are his children, Theresa Johnson and Freddy Johnson (Stefanie) of Laurens; sisters, Rosie Bright (James) of Fountain Inn, Dianne Brown (Bobby) of Woodruff, and Susan Barnes (Otto) of Laurens; grandchildren, Katelyn May, Aidan Johnson, Lexi Johnson, and Halie Graddick.

In addition to his parents, David was predeceased by his grandparents, Robert and Sally Hughes, and Clyde and Carrie Johnson. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 4, at Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church conducted by the Rev. Alex D. Henderson

with burial following in the church cemetery.

The family will be at the residence and will receive friends at The Kennedy Mortuary from 7-9 p.m. on Friday.

Memorials may be made to Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, 499 Chestnut Ridge Road, Laurens, SC 29360 or to Laurens County Cancer Association, PO Box 6, Clinton, SC 29325.

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Leake presents research at competition

More than 120 Coastal Carolina University students presented their research at the Undergraduate Research Competition April 16-17. Students represented various majors and research topics, and they presented either oral or poster presentations.

Among the presenters was Kadarius Leake, a Chemistry major from Fountain Inn. His presentation was titled "Synthesis of Phenyl Analogues Replacing the Oxadiazole Ring of Phidianidines."

The Undergraduate Research Competition is a spring tradition at Coastal Carolina University that celebrates the accomplishments of CCU undergraduate researchers and provides a venue for the dissemination of student research. Undergraduate research includes original research and scholarly or creative works, so all disciplines are represented. All CCU undergraduate researchers are eligible and encouraged to submit abstracts to present research that they completed during the previous year. Presentations are judged within broad disciplinary categories and the top presentations for each category win cash awards.

This year, students and faculty mentors from 28 different

majors and all five colleges have worked to produce 116 presentations, including 63 oral presentations and 53 poster presentations. These are the results of months, and in some

cases, years of effort on undergraduate research projects, and demonstrate the strength of experiential learning at CCU.

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